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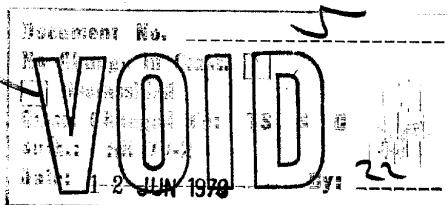
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1. A special Soviet commission arrived in Prague in March 1950 for the purpose of reorganizing the Czech Army Air Corps. The commission is reviewing airports and auxiliary airfields.
2. A large number of officers and other personnel, who served in the Allied air forces during World War II, have been released from duty in the Czech Air Corps. Recently 200 Czech pilots were sent to the USSR for a course in flying modern jet planes. After completing this course, about the middle of April, they will return to Czechoslovakia with 200 jet planes.
3. The USSR has supplied Czechoslovakia with 600 new pursuit planes. Czech pilots are reported to be dissatisfied with them, as they often catch fire while in the air. In addition, Czechoslovakia is importing IL-12s from the USSR.
4. The Czechs are now working on a new pursuit plane, model "Messerschmidt 109/5" for their air force. These will be made in Czech factories used by the Germans during World War II. These planes have a speed of 600 kilometers per hour, are armed with two cannons and four machine guns, and are equipped with installations for firing light rocket bombs. At present the Czech Army Air Corps has 300 such planes.

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